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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action of October 15, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend claim 1 as follows:

--1. (amended) A paper feed roller comprising:

a rotary shaft, and

a cylindrical roller portion integrated with an outer periphery of the rotary shaft,

wherein the cylindrical roller comprises a mixture of a hydraulic composition.--

Amend claim 8 as follows:

--8. (amended) A method for producing a paper feed roller, comprising the steps of:

forming a plurality of cylindrical molded bodies by press molding a mixture of a hydraulic composition, each of the

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